

## Minutes of the Charlemont Selectboard

April 27,2022

6 PM

Town Hall and Via phone

Present: Marguerite Willis, Dan Girard, Bill Harker, Tim DeVriese, Brian DeVries, Evie Locke, Kim Gabert, Andrea Santos, and Esther Haskell

The Architects from Jablonski DeVriese, Brian DeVriese and Tim DeVriese went over the drawings that have been completed to date.

It was discussed that the Elevator as presented would start on the first floor of town hall and go to the second floor. It would not go to the basement and third floor. It is a 2500 lb. elevator. The elevator space would enclose where the current bulkhead and ramp are. The elevator is big enough to get a stretcher in if there was a medical emergency on the second floor. As part of the elevator project handicap bathrooms would be installed upstairs.

It was discussed that the second floor could be Library space with rolling bookshelves so they could move for meeting and programs. The benches currently in the space upstairs could be Storytime seating.

The third floor could be storage space.

The Historical Society needs to be contacted and would need to move if the library was moved upstairs.

It was discussed that the beam in the cellar needs attention, and the second-floor load rating would need to be looked at.

The next step will be the code analysis, the beam in the cellar and the second-floor load rating, would be part of engineering work. This was looked at in a previous study, the administrator is to follow up and see if there was an engineer report done in the previous study and if there is paperwork get it to Brian or Tim DeVriese, Brian DeVriese also mentioned needing the building assessed value for the code analysis and looking at whether sprinklers would be required. If engineering work is needed it would have to be done with the building grant if one was obtained. The town will also have to make sure the furnace is sized to heat all three floors.

The acoustics upstairs were also discussed, there are accessories that could be purchased for this.

Parking was briefly discussed and is an issue that needs some creative solutions.

The Library at Hawlemont was briefly mentioned and in the future could be a possibility for a Library relocation also.

The library funding was mentioned, and it was suggested that it could be looked at to see if there was any grants or funding for Libraries for this type of project.

On a motion by Bill Harker and second by Dan Girard the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm